'Things to Do' in USAG Wiesbaden

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General information

- 2 For directions, go to <u>www.de.map24.com</u>
- 2 For train connections, go to <u>www.rmv.de</u> or <u>www.bahn.de</u> (available in English.)
- For information on any city in Germany, go to www.[name of city].de. Examples: www.wiesbaden.de, www.mainz.de, www.frankfurt.de

🛽 Wiesbaden Tourist Office: Markt St. 6, 65183 Wiesbaden, tel. 0611 / 1729-930. 🗈 Mainz Tourist Office: Brückenturm - Am Rathaus, tel. 061 31-2 86 21 24.

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> Festivities and events

The Back Bay Guitar Trio in Frankfurt June 17

The U.S. General Consulate hosts a concert performed by the Back Bay Guitar Trio. David

Newsam, Steve founded their trio in stylistic variety entertainment that well as South American Bellinati and Astor from the Frankfurt and Theodor Koehler. Gartenhaus, Bockenheimer Anlage Hotel) in Frankfurt



Marchena, and John Mason 2002 in Boston, USA. Their provides an awesome covers classical music as pieces composed by Paulo Piazzolla or compositions composers Paul Hindemith Location: Nebbiensches

(across from the Hilton (between Alte Oper and

Eschenheimer Turm). Admission is free of cost but donations are welcome. Starts 7.30 p.m. For more information contact Theodor Koehler at 069-77075757 or mail to theodor-koehler@arcor.de. // Check: www.frankfurter-kuenstlerclub.de

St. Johann's Fest in Mainz June 19 to 22



Every year the state capitol of Mainz hosts this wonderful event along the Rhine River banks and the downtown area of the old city. Theater performances, musical performances on 6 different stages, food specialties and a large variety of booths' offering handmade crafts, jewelry, leather products, art and fashion articles and so much more. On Monday night a spectacular fireworks will conclude this festivity. Don't miss a great opportunity to celebrate with our neighbor citizens. www.mainz.de/johannisnacht

Biebrich - Castle in Flames July 25

Top Opera singers and the Karlsruhe State Theater Orchestra will perform at the Biebrich Castle during this exceptional Open Air Festival and major classical event under the open skies. Arias and duets from Puccini, Verdi, and Rossini in connection with a brilliant baroque-style fireworks on the ground and in the air - in the tradition of the English royal dynasty - will provide for a

beautiful entertainment. Throughout the evening the wonderful



architecture Biebrich illuminated. concert picnic available in



of the Castle will During the areas are the palace

be

garden. You may bring blankets, tables and chairs, but please dress appropriately for a classical concert. Ticket prices range from 29,95 to 79,90 Euro and can be purchased online: www.schlossinflammen.de

Open Air Movie Festival in Mainz-Kastel ongoing to August 26

It's time again for classic pictures and culture movies under the skies in the Reduit in Mainz-Kastel. For tickets and program and more information check www.openairkino-reduit.de or http://www.openairkino-reduit.de/

Tent Fest in Mainz June 26 to July 5

This annual fest is organized and hosted by the cultural office of the city of Mainz and takes place in the city's lovely park called Volkspark in Göttelmannstrasse, 55130 Mainz. On June 28 the Israeli singer Noa and the Israeli-Palestine songwriter Mira Awad perform their Tour 2009 "There must be another way." Randy Crawford and the Joe Sample Trio will perform their amazing stylistic variety along with well known classics on June 29. The German Rock Group BAP is scheduled to perform July 1st with the violin player Ann de Wolf and on July 4 Goran Bregovic and the Wedding and Funeral Band. For more information and tickets check www.frankfurter-hof-mainz.de



Latin Rock Superstar Santana performs an Open Air Concert - from "Supernatural," to "Ultimate Santana," to Black Magic Woman, "- at the Mainz Volkspark, Göttelmannstrasse, 55130 Mainz, at 7 p.m.. Tickets under www.frankfurter-hof-mainz.de



Simply Red in Mainz August 8

Soul and pop at its best performed by Mick Hucknall on the Fort-Malakoff-Terrace, Rheinstrasse 4, 55116 Mainz. Concert starts at 7 p.m. Tickets under www.frankfurter-hof-mainz.de

Summer Fest in the Hattenheim Castle June 12

Hattenheim is the most western district of the city of Eltville on the Rhine River. Here, the Rheingau wine growers from Hochheim to Lorch to

Walluf to Eltville organized a wine-party with live music in the castle of Hattenheim. With the help of the elected Rheingau wine queens the official opening starts at 5 p.m. with music from the Kiedrich musicians. At 8.30 p.m. the Stieffenhofer Quintett plays Folk, Jazz and more. Admission is free. www.hattenheim.de

Cultural Days in Wiesbaden 2009

Every year, the districts within the city of Wiesbaden celebrate their individual cultural festivities offering a variety of musical and common entertainment, exhibitions, theater plays, flea markets, tours, children's entertainment and much more – all of it linked with a good glass of wine and food specialties plus good citizen communication. For more information and to download the program for each fest check www.wiesbaden.de/kulturtage (The dates may be subject to change) or call the city's cultural office under 0611-313641.

Cultural days in Sauerland ongoing to 19 June

Cultural days in Nordenstadt ongoing to 20 June

Cultural days in Klarenthal from 14 to 28 June

Cultural days in Sonnenberg from 19 to 28 June

Cultural days in Breckenheim from 21 June to 5 July

Cultural fest Parkfeld on 27 June

Cultural days Waldstrasse from 1 to 12 Juli

Cultural days AKK from 22 August to 20 September

Cultural autumn in Biebrich from 29 August to 25 October

Cultural days in Frauenstein from 30 August to 13 September

Cultural days in Kohlheck from 5 to 13 September

Cultural days in Igstadt from 18 to 20 September

Cultural days in the Westend in September (days pending coordination)

Federal Garden Exhibition in Schwerin - ongoing to October 11

Both, the BUGA (Federal smallest of Germany's state definitely worth a sight seeing art of gardening of the 18th the castle of Schwerin next to year old unique construction more information check the BUGA

click <u>www.buga-2009.de</u>



Garden Exhibition) and the city of Schwerin, the capitols located in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, are journey. This year the center of attraction is the century. All exhibition areas are located around the beautiful old center of the city with its 850-treasures and towards the Schwerin Lakes. For www.schwerin.com or www.schwerin.de and for

Car free Sunday along the Rhein River June 28



Both highways (B9) along the Rhein River are closed for automobile traffic from 9 a.m. in the morning until 7 p.m. in the evening under the motto: Tal toTal (totally valley). Communities within 120 Kilometers along the Loreley Valley - a UNESCO World Heritage - from Bingen/Rüdesheim to Koblenz/Lahnstein offer a variety of music events, rest places for bikers and hikers, and gastronomic specialties. You can also take a boat and enjoy the countryside gliding down the river or stay overnight in a nice little town along the route before the start of the event? Check www.romantischer-rhein.de for accommodations and more plus www.taltotal.de for more information.

Courtyard Fest in Biebrich June 12 to 14

The so-called *Höfefest* is an event that takes place in a number of courtyards within the district of Biebrich. Each yard has its individual look and design and invites visitors and residents to enjoy an afternoon and evening with music, food and beverages. Check www.hoefefest.de for the address list and the respective program.

International Theatrium in Wiesbaden June 11 to 13

One of the oldest street festivals in Germany is the Theatrium along Wiesbaden's most distinguished boulevard, the Wilhelmstrasse. Each year, for more than 30 years it attracts up to 250.000 guests with artistic and theatrical flair to be seen and heard everywhere. Musicians and bands will entertain the crowd under this year's motto "Wiesbaden unplugged." First-class multicultural entertainment and theater acts will be performed on several stages. A gathering of creative powers, a feast for the eyes and the ears, pleasure and the joys of life under the open sky! Additionally, arts and crafts and a variety of goods will be sold in 150 booths'. And naturally, there will be a generous choice of culinary specialties and beverages.



Open daily from 3 p.m. to 2 a.m. www.wiesbaden.de

NOTE: Wilhelmstrasse will be closed for traffic this weekend. Follow the detour signs.

German-American Friendship Outreach Kontakt Darmstadt

For more information check https://sites.google.com/site/kontaktdarmstadt/ or contact Margret Nazaret at 0160-6286179 or email to https://sites.google.com/site/kontaktdarmstadt/ or contact Margret Nazaret at 0160-6286179 or email to https://sites.google.com/site/kontaktdarmstadt/ or contact Margret Nazaret at 0160-6286179 or email to https://sites.google.com/site/kontaktdarmstadt/ or contact Margret Nazaret at 0160-6286179 or email to https://sites.google.com/site/kontaktdarmstadt/ or contact Nazaret na https://sites.google.com/site/kontaktdarmstadt/ or contact Nazaret na https://sites.google.com/sites/kontaktdarmstadt/

Market Breakfast at Wiesbaden Farmer's Market



Skandinavian countries.

The new season of Farmer's Market Breakfasts started with the beginning of Spring March 21. Each breakfast offers a nice ambience to have breakfast with the whole family. Each breakfast has a different theme, covering anything from Easter to Cherry Time to Pumpkin Carving. Market breakfasts take place on nine Saturdays through October from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Musical entertainment is also provided. Location is: Schlossplatz 1, 65183 Wiesbaden, in front of the city hall.

June 27 features "Midsommar" with specialties from

July 18 is centered around the cherry.

August 29 helps people start the weekend with a good "Summerfeeling" mood.

Sept. 19 invites guests to an early Oktober Fest.

Oct. 24 and 31 are dedicated to the pumpkin – from soup to decoration.

See also www.wiesbaden.de

→Travel Destinations

Churches in the city of Mainz

The Cathedral



The massive cathedral which was built 1000 years ago characterizes the state capitol of Rhineland Palatinate to this day. Open all year round you can book a guided tour in English through the Mainz Tourist Office under 06131-286210 or the Cathedral Information Center at the Mainz Market Place under 06131-253412. Check www.mainz.de for more information or

www.dommuseum-mainz.de

St. Stephen's Church is Chagall's mysticism of blue light



Every year, over 200.000 visitors demonstrate that this is just another attraction worth visiting. Chagall created the glowing blue stained glass windows. Located in the Weissgasse 12, 55116 Mainz – for a guided tour contact the Mainz Tourist Office. www.touristik-mainz.de

<u>Christ Church – Italian renaissance along the Rhine River</u>



The history of the Christ Church is closely linked with the history of the Protestants of Mainz. Intended as a representative counterweight to the cathedral the 80 meter high dome rises architecturally above the many church towers of the city center. www.mainz.de and/or www.touristik-mainz.de Phone: 06131-286210.

St. Ignatius' - between Baroque and Classicism



The red sandstone façade rises up in the midst of the low houses of the old city in Kapuzinerstrasse. Decorated with grey sandstone figures, it also shows a statue of the patron saint of the church, the martyr Ignatius of Antioch. www.touristik-mainz.de



Located in the heart of the old city it presents an exceptional display of splendor within the entire region. The red sandstone facade rises up in the midst of the low houses of the old city.

Also, check <u>www.mainz.de</u> for

St. Christopher's - where Gutenberg was baptized;

St. Antony 's - a Gothic relict;

St. John's - a basilica from the Carolingian period and St. Antony's - a Gothic relict

The Neroberg and the Mountain Railway in Wiesbaden

The Neroberg is Wiesbaden's local mountain attraction. At 245 meters sea level it isn't very high but provides the most magnificent view over the city. The Neroberg Mountain Train transports you on the top daily from May to August from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. During the month of September and October it runs only on Wednesdays (12 a.m to 7 p.m.) and on Saturdays, Sundays and German Holidays from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.. For more information check www.nerobergbahn.de



Cruise the Rivers in Europe



Walk right off of your ship into the heart of a destination to explore cosmopolitan cities and quaint villages. English speaking guides bring history and culture to your life. Learn more and enjoy special river tours under www.vikingrivercruises.com or mail to

info@vikingrivercruises.com or call 0221-2586-209.

Regensburg, Germany

The famous cathedral, the medieval stone bridge, the magnificent residences and houses, and lots of museums – the city of Regensburg has a lot offer. Discover the secrets of this 2000-year old Roman founded city and find out more about its picturesque "Old Town," which is an official UNESCO World Heritage site. Regensburg is a city that literally never sleeps. No German city



offers more restaurants, pubs, bars or clubs per capita with such an astounding variety.

This year, the city will host one of the preliminary tournament rounds of the 2009 Baseball World Cup along with 14 cities in 7 countries from 9 to 27 September. The U.S. National Team will play during the 9 to 12 September time-frame. Ticket sales and information about the first round of the World Cup are available at www.baseballwmo9.de or contact Philipp Hoffschild under 0941-29797835.

For sightseeing information and a visit check <u>www.tourismus.regensburg.de</u> or call the tourist information at 0941-5074410.

Cochem, Germany

Cochem lies between Eifel and Hunsrueck – two hiking paradises. The huge castle of



Reichsburg sits atop a hill, overlooking the town. Cochem offers a variety of Riesling wines, made there by the restaurants of the town. There are day or night boat rides down the River Mosel, which runs right on the edge of Cochem. campsites. Cochem is ideal for water sports and fishing, but also provides a wave pool, a children's playground, a heated swimming pool, mini-golf, tennis courts, a

bowling alley, bike rental and yacht ports. Hiking is also great in this area. Call or email for more information: 0267160040 or info@ferienland-cochem.de. See also http://cochem.de/tourismus/starten.htm

Marksburg Castle

The Marksburg Castle is the only Rhine castle that has never been destroyed. It has been

lived in for over 700 years, and may visit the castle with a guided lasting approximately 50 minutes. tour guide will tell the history of castle and describe life in the





you tour The the

Middle Ages in castles such as this. There are also information sheets in other languages, including English. The castle is only closed December 24 and 25- all other days open to tours. Visit http://www.marksburg.de/default.htm for more information.

Come on board and tour Wiesbaden with THermine

Thermine offers tours of Wiesbaden and Biebrich on a red "Bimmelbahn". The roundtrip takes about 60 minutes. However, tickets are valid the entire day, allowing you to get on and off at any stop. A combination ticket is also available, to experience both tours in one day. www.thermine.de

\rightarrow Families and kids



<u>Legoland in Günzburg open to</u> November 8

A must visit for all fans of the small gaming pieces. With over 25 Million Lego pieces Legoland put together a fascinating miniature world throughout Europe. It also offers a variety of rides every child loves. For admission prices and directions check www.legoland.de

<u>Tripsdrill – Another adventure and fun park</u>

Experience over 100 inventive attractions i.e., the Village Street with the new Maypole or the Mill Valley, the Soapbox Derby, the Double Thunder Box, the Mill Stream Ride and the Splashy Sea

Ride. Check <u>www.tripsdrill.de</u> for admission fees, directions and additional information.

Botanic Garden in Mainz – open year round

On 3000 square meters this garden cultivates some 8.500 plant species and varieties originating from all over the world. Apart from its main responsibilities in research and education, it is heavily involved in the cultivation of endangered plant species. It's the perfect location for a day tour with the family. www.botgarten.uni-mainz.de

Visit the Zoo in Frankfurt

The Frankfurt Zoo offers many interesting observations outside and inside of its animal houses. In

the Big Cat Jungle visitors are separated only by glass panes, sometimes water-filled ditches. It is open daily from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.. Two restaurants there provide for your culinary welfare: the Snack Bar/Cafeteria Happy Bär and the Mexican Restaurant

Sambreo. www.zoo-frankfurt.de



Tiere erleben - Natur bewahren

Animal- and Plant-Park Fasanerie - Free admission!



Northwest of the city, Wiesbaden operates an animal- and plantpark called "Fasanerie". It houses approximately 50 animal species, among them numerous local wild and domestic animals, from the ordinary house pig to wolves and foxes up to the most famous inhabitants, the bears Ronja, Troxi and Kuno. The park also offers beautiful landscapes, meadows, woods, water and exotic as well as local plants. The perfect place to forget about the city and dive into nature!

The Fasanerie is open daily from 9:00 – 17:00, from 9:00 – 18:00 during the summer. Dogs are not allowed. www.fasanerie.net/

Tobolino in Mainz

The perfect location to let young kids interact and have fun while you watch in an indoor facility. Host your child's birthday parties and more. The Tobolino is open Mon thru Fri from 2 to 7 p.m. and on Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays from 10.30 a.m. to 7 p.m. www.tobolino-mainz.de

Phantasialand in Koeln-Bruehl

Spend a day or a weekend in Phantasialand with your family where not only the children will enjoy a variety of rides, amusement and adventure parks. For more information click

www.phantasialand.de

To get to the English version, click any flag on the upper left corner and it'll change into the Union Jack.

For Indoor playgrounds look at: www.kinderspieloase.de

The Domäne – more than just a farm

Ever wondered about the big farm you're passing by on the way to the WAAF South Gate every morning? It's the Domäne Mechtiltshausen which farms a total area of 650 hectares at four sites:

Mechtildshausen Klarenthal Gassenbacher 140 hectares and about 60 pastures in the near the Rhine produces 80 different fruits, milk (55 cows), geese, and 800 and pigs. On site cheese making and a market hall



has 185 hectares, Hofgut approx. 30 hectares, the Hof in Idstein has approx. Watzelhain in the Taunus hectares. The rest consist of Taunus hills and meadows River. The Domäne different vegetables, over 12 beef (250 calves per year), poultry (3000 hens, 1000 ducks, quails and pigeons) you'll find a butcher, a shop, a bakery, a floristry which offers own products

plus goods from other whole food traders. The shops are open from Tue thru Fri from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. There is further a restaurant with a Mediterranean flair and an exquisite cuisine open Tue thru Sat from noon to about 3.30 p.m. and in the evening through dinner time. Sundays the restaurant opens only during lunch hours. For a cup of coffee or selected tea and some pastries visit the Café "Bohne" open daily from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. or have a glass of wine in their wine tavern, also open daily from 12 to 8 p.m. www.domaene-mechtildshausen.de

Lochmuehle Freizeitpark open through October 25

Spend your weekend or a holiday with your family experiencing nature and animals at the Lochmuehle Park in the vicinity of Bad Homburg. Formerly a farm and corn mill the park offers countryside recreation aside from big rides with long waiting lines.

You can choose from about 150 playing and exercise items, hike along a river's natural course or romp around on meadows, visit their petting zoo or schedule pony rides. You can also find out

about Roman life while visiting the Roman trail with the famous Limes which became part of the UNESCO world heritage. There are snack bars and during summer months, two restaurants will be open. But you can also reserve one of their 30 barbeque huts from family-size group to large groups up to several hundreds of people free of charge! Note: barbeque site reservation only via phone under 06175-790060. Site must be secured NLT 11 a.m. or you may loose your reservation. Last not least, don't use paper or plastic dishes, use reusable items. Admission tickets for the



park are between 10 and 11, 50 Euro. Kids up to 90 centimeters height are free. For more information and directions check <u>www.lochmuehle.de</u>

Skate Town - Germany's largest roller skate disco in Hanau

Here, you'll have fun and sports on 2000 square meters. Around a 1000 square meter large roller skating rink there is an area with a bar, a game zone and a pro shop for skates. You can chill out in one of the comfortable cinema seats while watching an Oldie on a huge screen. Skate Town offers Family Days, Friends and Family Days, Fun on wheels or Disco Nights. Location:

Kinzigheimerstrasse 115 in 63450 Hanau. Check www.skatefamily.de for admission prizes and opening hours.



Spend a family day at the Opel Zoo in Kronberg

Visit an African savannah in the middle of the Taunus hills featuring more than 1,000 animals and about 200 species from five continents. The Opel Zoo attractions include African elephants, hippos, zebras, monkeys, giraffes, a petting zoo, a giant slide, trampolines and other kid's attractions. From March through October you can ride on a pony or camel. The

zoo has several barbeque areas which have to be booked in advance (call 06173-79749), as well as plenty of eateries. Opel Zoo opens daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission is 10,50 Euro for adults, 6,50 Euro for children. www.opel-zoo.de



Sea Life in Speyer open daily thoughout the year

Sea life is an ambassador for the world under water and its job is to protect the oceans. Come and visit an environmental focused aquarium in which deadly and poisoning occupants reside. Take your children to an exceptional environment where the masters of camouflage can fascinate you and your family. At Sea Life you will discover a diversity of native species. There are adventure courses i.e., the Tropical Tunnel, the replication of the North Sea Ground and the Bodensee, a shipwreck or a mountain torrent and much

more. Visit the harbor area or enjoy an event movie. Look at a Rhine River replication or spend some time in the Sea restaurant which has a beautiful view to a Rhine River Terrace. The ultimate highlight in Speyer is the tropical lagoon, an 8 meter long glass tunnel through 320.000 liters of water tenant by sharks. Group tickets for students, children's birthday parties and any other group available. Open daily at 10 a.m. Address: Sea Life Speyer, Im Hafenbecken 5, 67346 Speyer. Tel: 06232-69780 or http://www.speyer.de/de/tourist/museen/Sealife

Exibitions

Garrison Museum in the citadel in Mainz

The Mainz' citadel is the second significant historical building besides the cathedral in the downtown area. Anchored in 1620 the old building was finished in 1660 and today

accommodates a museum which exhibits a comprehensive collection of uniforms, photos, documents and military items and samples. From the Prussian to the French to the American troops, there is a lot of history in three historical vaults plus an underground channel system which all can be toured

after telephonic coordination with Herr Balzer, the chairman of the garrison museum.

You can coordinate a group between 10 to 30 participants for a cost-free tour in English



via mail <u>garnisonsmuseum@festung-mainz.de</u> or telephone under 06249-7908 with him. For more information check <u>www.festung-mainz.de</u>

Camp Lindsey from 1945 to 1993 – Exhibition to June 17

The Wiesbaden city archive opens its doors cost-free to the interested audience for an exhibition on the former U.S. Camp Lindsey which is now called European Quarters. The exhibition is separated into 4 major time frames starting with the German pike helmet through the ducal area to Camp Lindsey. Open Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Wednesdays from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.. Address: Stadtarchiv, Im Rad 42, 65197 Wiesbaden.

HAP Grieshaber Art Exhibition through September 27

This special exhibition shows woodcarving art from HAP Grieshaber in the Cathedral's Museum (Dommuseum) in the city of Mainz on the occasion of his 100th anniversary. Open Tues thru Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dommuseum Mainz, Domstrasse 3, 55116 Mainz. For more information and admission fees check: www.dommuseum-mainz.de

→ Concerts & culture



Starting May 1st until End of September 2009 – Every Sunday and German Holiday Jazz Groups will perform at the Kurpark in Wiesbaden from 11.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. Food and beverages will be sold - admission is cost-free: www.wiesbaden.de

Wiesbaden State Theater performances
See http://www.staatstheater-wiesbaden.de/.

Click 'Spielplan' or http://www.staatstheater-wiesbaden.de/asp/spielplanframe.htm to get a schedule for all upcoming performances.

Ticket information: Click "Karten" or http://www.staatstheater-wiesbaden.de/html/kassenframe.htm. Tickets can be ordered at phone o611.132325. The website also lists ticket offices.

Gala Concert at Eberbach Monestary June 21

The Dubrovnik Symphony Orchestra performs works from Verdi, Tschaikowsky, and Wagner at the basilica of the Eberbach Monestary. Start time is 6 p.m. Tickets range from 24 to 59 Euro per person at the box office or at the Wiesbaden Tourist Office, Marktplatz 1, 65189 Wiesbaden. www.operaclassica-europa.de

Orgel Concerts at the Marktkirche in Wiesbaden, Schlossplatz 4, every Saturday at 11:30 a.m.

Tickets from Euro 4 to 25 can be purchased at the Tourist Information burgay. Marktplatz 4, to

Tickets from Euro 4 to 35 can be purchased at the Tourist Information bureau, Marktplatz 1, tel. 0611-1729780, website www.churchmusic.de

Velvets Presents Hoffmann's narratives June 13

Velvets, a privately owned the cultural office of the here. Performances cover size puppets and hand perform The little Prince Flute, Hoffmann's Storm by William Tickets can be purchased



Theater in Wiesbaden is sponsored by city and the only black and light theater a large variety of the theatrical art. Lifepuppets, actors and pantomimes from Saint-Exupery, Mozart's Magic Narratives from Jaques Offenbach, the Shakespeare to mention only a few. at Galeria Kaufhof, Kirchgasse 28 or at

the Tourist Information Office, Marktstrasse 1, Wiesbaden or at the box office. Rows 1 to 6 -15 Euro per person/rows 7 to 10 – 13,50 Euro per person. Velvets-Theater, Schwarzenbergstrasse 3, 65189 Wiesbaden (behind the ESWE Indoor Pool) www.velvets-theater.de

Open Air Concert - Wiesbaden Kurpark August 9

The concerts in the Wiesbaden Kurpark are always worth attending. This one is a special Sunday afternoon at the Kurpark in Wiesbaden with the baritone Eike Wilm Schulte. Starts at 5 p.m.. For tickets visit the Wiesbaden Tourist Office downtown at the Rathausplatz 1.

→ For Germany-wide shows, concerts and highlights click: www.bb-promotion.de

Rock, Blues and Soul
June 27, 8 p.m.
Cafe Wunderbar
Am Stadtbahnhof 1
65817 Eppstein
www.wunderbar-weitewelt.de

Ballet performances
June 11, 13, 15,18,24, 29, 7.30 p.m.
Staatstheater Mainz, Großes Haus
Gutenbergplatz 7

55116 Mainz Altstadt www.staatstheater-mainz.de

Irish Pub
Best Party in Town
June 27, 9 p.m.
Sonnenberger Strasse 14
65193 Wiesbaden
www.irishpub-wiesbaden.de

Eberbach Serenade

September 13, 4 p.m. Eberbach Monestary www.mozartwiesbaden.com

Liza Minnelli June 12, 8 p.m. Alte Oper in Frankfurt www.alteoper.de or

Irish Pub
Party Rock
June 27, 9 p.m.
Weissliliengasse 5
55116 Mainz
http://www.irishpub-mainz.de

Herzberg Concerts – Classic Rock Night Oct 31, 8 p.m. Hessenhalle An der Hessenhalle 1 36404 Alsfeld www.herzberg-concerts.de Classic Indian Dance
June 12, 8 p.m.
Frankfurter Hof
Augustinerstraße 55
55116 Mainz Altstadt
www.frankfurter-hof-mainz.de

TAO – A Japanese Sensation
The Art of Drumming
Phönixhalle Mainz-Mombach
November 18, 8 p.m.
Hauptstrasse 17-19
55120 Mainz-Mombach
www.phoenix-halle.de

Israel Philharmonic Orchestra September 8 Alte Oper in Frankfurt www.alteoper.de or www.semmel.de

→ Sports

American Baseball in Bad Homburg

Visit the Taunus Baseballpark at the Sportzentrum Nord-West, Usinger Weg, 61350 Bad Homburg. For more information check <u>www.bad-homburg-</u> hornets.de



Sandy beach at the Rhine River



From May to September, sun-seekers can put up a deckchair along the Rhine beaches. There will be palm trees and cool waves, beach volleyball and water sports plus bars and sausage booths'. For the

Mainz Rhine beach under the Theodor Heuss

Bruecke in Mainz-Kastel check: <u>www.rheinstrand-mainz.de</u> or <u>www.citrusbeach-mainz.com</u> and <u>www.wakeboarden-mainz.de</u> for sports activities..

Water playgrounds for kids

The Volkspark and the Hartenbergpark in Mainz both offer water playgrounds for children to play and cool off during hot seasons. The admission is free of charge. Opening hours from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m..



Horseback Riding Lessons in the vicinity of Griesheim

Here's a wonderful place to learn horseback riding. The Brodhecker Burghof is located near the Dagger Complex between the community of Riedstadt and the city of Griesheim south of Darmstadt. Here, there are three indoor

riding halls plus outdoor locations where adults and children from 3 years of age and up will be taught. They offer special education riding for handicapped students and should you just want to simply watch instead of climbing on a horse, they offer in-house shows. On Saturdays, fantastic home-made lunches are served. If you want to purchase riding equipment, toys or riding cards they accept VAT Forms. For more information and directions check www.brodhecker-burghof.de

Balloon Traveling

Float soundlessly above the villages, vineyards and fields of Rhine-Hessen on a warm summer day or Indian Summer day. Various companies offer balloon trips, gliding and powered sightseeing flights. Cost per person between 150 to 200 Euro. Groups (3 to 5 or more) get special rates.

Alzey - Balloon trips, Herbert Engler, Phone: 06733-1324 No webpage available

Harxheim - Freiballon Sportschule, Phone: 06138-6922, www.ballon.mathes.de

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Ingelheim - Balloon trips, Dr. Gottwald, Phone: 06132-75333 or -40373, <u>www.carolus-ballon-sport.de</u>

Oppenheim - Aero Club Oppenheim-Guntersblum, Phone: 06144-966910 or

-06133-3337, no webpage

Worms - Luftsportverein Worms, 06241-23454, www.lsvworms.de

Taunus Wunderland near Schlangenbad

The park is open daily from 9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and always has new attractions i.e., giant slide and a pirate ship. Family and day passes as well as season passes available. This park is open through October and close by. Check www.taunuswunderland.de



Alpine Challenge near Wiesbaden

Have you ever wanted to swing on vines like Tarzan or balance on ropes like Indiana Jones? Well then the Kletterwald on the Neroberg is the perfect place for you. It includes over 50 exciting

elements on which you may climb, swing, or balance on. Open from March 21 to November 11, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily. Admission for adults is 18 Euro, children cost 15 Euro. Thursdays is a family day and two adults with up to three children pay a reduced admission fee of 44 Euro. www.kletterwald-neroberg.de

Take a hike

Your guide to volksmarching

http://www.usaghessen.eur.army.mil/hunion/Takeahike.htm

Lama and alpaca tours in Eltville



The Kisselmühle in Eltville is one of Germany's biggest lama and alpaca farms. It offers half day tours through the picturesque Rheingau region (greater Wiesbaden area). Tour prices depend on the length of the excursion and prior registration is always mandatory. Telephone (06723-87360) or email (rheingau@kisselmuehle.de). Participants get to feed and learn about the lamas and alpacas and will make a small guided country tour, regardless of the weather conditions! Make sure you wear appropriate cloths. No kids

under 4 years of age allowed. Directions: Kisselmühle is located directlz behind Eberbach monasterz in Eltville. Take A66 in direction to Wiesbaden/Rüdesheim. Take the exit Eltville/Kiedrich and follwo the signs to Kloster Eberbach. Just before you reach the gateway to the Monestary turn left onto the gravel road and follow it for about 1 mile. www.kisselmuehle.de

→ Wellness



Kur Royal in Bad Homburg, north of Frankfurt www.kur-royal.de

Taunus Therme Bad Homburg, north of Frankfurt

http://www.taunustherme.de/en/index.html Parkhotel Schlangenbad (near

Wiesbaden)

http://www.beautyfarmhotel.de/applicazioni/bfh_de_de.nsf/StrutturaEN/EU-DE-HB-SCBD?OpenDocument

Aukamm Thermal Bath in Wiesbaden http://www.freizeitbad.de/index.php?id=16&badid=70

More waterparks in Germany:

http://www.freizeitbad.de/index.php?id=16&L=1



→ Going out to party...

Recurring *

All you can eat – Prawns every Wednesday in the bar/restaurant "7Sinne" Reservations required at least one day prior! Kirchgasse 7 65185 Wiesbaden Tel: 0611-50477666

Irish Pub Wiesbaden and Mainz
Popular pubs with an international
Crowd. Events every night w/live
Music, karaoke and open stage
Sessions. Admission is free!
Michelsberg 15, 65183 Wiesbaden
Tel: 0611-300849
Weissliliengasse 5,55116 Mainz
Tel.: 06131-231430
http://www.irish-pub-wiesbaden.de/

Club Faces R&B and Old School Soul Every Saturday

Rheinallee 175 55120 Mainz Mainz-Mombach exit from A643 Dress to impress Doors open at 9 p.m.

Party Tunes on Fridays and House Deluxe -Electronic Music on Saturdays at 10 p.m.

Ebene o,

Kirchgasse 66, 65183 Wiesbaden Infotelefon: 0611/5058558 http://www.ebene-o.de

<u>Weekend Tunes Fridays and Saturdays</u> <u>Admission starts at 11 p.m.</u>

Safahi-Lounge Große Bleiche 17 – 23, 55116 Mainz Altstadt www.safahi-lounge.com

Music Night Saturdays at 8 p.m.

Tollhaus Siemensstraße 1 65205 Wiesbaden Nordenstadt www.tollhaus.des

Selected wines and selected music

Canal du Midi Weinbar Blücherstrasse 29 65195 Wiesbaden www.canal-du-midi-weinbar.de

Saturday Nights at 8 p.m. Schlachthof Discos

Gartenfeldstraße 57 65189 Wiesbaden Infotelefon: 0611/974450 Telefax: 0611/9744520 www.schlachthof-wiesbaden.de

<u>Clubparty Every Friday and Saturday</u> <u>at 10 p.m.</u>

(House, Black, Classics,Rock) Starclub Holzhofstraße 1 55116 Mainz Altstadt Infotelefon: 06131/603871 www.starclub-mainz.de

<u>Disco and DJs every Friday and Saturday at</u> <u>10 p.m.</u>

Flagranty
Nerotal 66
65193 Wiesbaden
Infotelefon: 0611/5316030
www.flagranty.de

Rock, Pop, Soul, Reggae, or Hip Hop every Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.

Gestüt Renz, Nerostraße 24, 65183 Wiesbaden Mitte, 0611-1851267 <u>www.gestuet-renz.com</u>

<u>Music Fun and Games at the Session's Every</u> <u>Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m.</u>

Session, Walraustraße 1, 65183 Wiesbaden, www.session-wiesbaden.de

Park Café Fridays and Saturdays at 10 p.m.

Park Cafe

Wilhelmstraße 36 65183 Wiesbaden Infotelefon: 0611/3413246 www.park-cafe-wiesbaden.de

Club XL Mainz

Club XL open Saturdays from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. Industriestrasse 10 55120 Mainz

Zocalo Club in Wiesbaden – Soul in the City every

Tuesday and Friday night with the best DJ's. Every Saturday is Salsa night. The Zocalo Club is located on Taunusstrasse, 9. Check www.zocalo-club.de or call 0611/524160

Jazz at the Kulturcafe Every Wednesday at 9.30 p.m.

Johnannes Gutenberg University, Becherweg 5 (Old Cafeteria), 55128 Mainz. Admission is free. www.kulturcafe-mainz.de

R&B, Soul and Hip-Hop House of Sould 9.30 p.m.

Friday and Saturdays at Terrell's Fort Malakoff Passage Rheinstrasse 4, 55116 Mainz

→ Shopping

Hands and Nails Fair in Wiesbaden Sep 11 to 13



The demand for a beautiful nail design increases every year. All fans and friends of the extraordinary, elegant or ordinary manicure and branch related businesses will find what they have always been looking for at this special fair at the Rhein-Main-Hallen, Rheinstrasse 20, 65185 Wiesbaden. www.rhein-main-hallen.de

Ecological Fair in Wiesbaden Sep 18 to 20

It's the biggest ecological trade fair in Hessen. Everything Mother Nature has to offer in regards to food, cloths, green tourism, energy, construction, living and more. Rhein-Main-Hallen, Rheinstrasse 20, 65185 Wiesbaden. www.rhein-main-hallen.de

Polish Pottery

Every piece is an original! Ceramics from Bunzlau in Poland traditionally manufactured using a unique technique with brushes and prints. The pottery is hand-painted and signed. Just have a look at our new studio Kaja Kilian, Alt Wildsachsen 8a, 65719 Hofheim-Wildsachsen.

Opening hours: Tue – Fri: 10 a.m. to noon and 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. – Sat: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Tel: 06198-585212; online: www.polish-pottery-germany.de



Sunday shopping opportunities in Mainz August 30 and October 25 in Mainz

Retail stores and businesses will be open these Sunday afternoons in the beautiful city of Mainz.

Combine a walking tour special shopping event during Open from 1 to 6 p.m.

Wiesbaden Farmer's Market

Shop your way through a large weekly Wiesbaden farmer's Market square down by the



Shopping Mall next to (Hauptbahnhof.) 65 Stores.

For details, see www.lilien-carre.de

through the downtown area with this the so-called "Verkaufsoffener Sonntag." www.stadt-mainz.de

variety of fresh farmer's products at the market on Saturdays at the Wiesbaden city hall (Rathaus.)

Wiesbaden's Main Train Station Open Mon – Sat 10 a.m. – 8 p.m.

New Shopping Mall in Wiesbaden at LuisenForum from 1-6 p.m.

See also www.luisenforum.de.

Outlet Shopping at Wertheim Village

See also

http://www.wertheimvillage.com/wertheim/home.asp

Main-Taunus Centrum Mall

Near Frankfurt, off A 66

See http://www.main-taunus-zentrum.de/de/home/home.html.



Mainz Farmer's Markets

- 1 Saturdays starting 7 a.m. at Kirch St, 55116 Mainz-Gonsenheim
- 2 Saturdays starting 7 a.m. at Liebfrauen Sq 1, 55116 Mainz Altstadt (Old City)

Weekly Schiller Market in Frankfurt

This weekly market includes fresh groceries and flowers. It will be held every Friday starting at 9:00 a.m. in downtown Frankfurt.

Regular weekly flea markets in the Frankfurt area

Frankfurt: Flea market every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Schaumainkai (bank of the Main River in the Sachsenhauen district of Frankfurt).

Frankfurt-Höchst: Flea market **every Thursday 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.,** parking lot, section 'B' adjacent to Jahrhunderthalle.

Darmstadt: Flea market **every Saturday** 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., 'Schenck' company parking lot/section 5 & 6, intersection Im tiefen See/Pallaswiesenstrasse (near combined heat & power plant).

Offenbach: Flea market every Saturday from at 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the banks of the Main River (Mainstrasse).

Belgium:

14 Jun - flea market at Tongeren, city wall; ends at 1 p.m.

14 Jun -antique- and flea market at Eupen, shopping center PLAZA.

Germany:

- 12-14 Jun flea market at Bad Duerkheim, Saline.
- 13/14 Jun flea market at Bitburg, airfield Hall 300 and parking area.
- 13/14 Jun flea market at Daun, train station.
- 13/14 Jun flea market at Echternacherbrueck, Luxemburg border.
- 13/14 Jun antique- and flea market at Machern Monastery, convent hall and parking area.
- 13/14 Jun antique- and flea market at Saarburg, Stadthalle.
- 13/14 Jun flea market a Trier, Messepark.
- 13 Jun flea market at Trier-West, ALDI Eurener Str.
- 13 Jun flea market at Baumholder, Weiherplatz.
- 13 Jun flea market at Mainz, university parking west gate.
- 13 Jun flea market at Frankfurt, Schaumainkai.
- 13 Jun flea market at Frankfurt-Hoechst, Jahrhunderthalle parking area B.
- 13 Jun flea market at Frankfurt-Kalbach, Frischezentrum Am Marinszehnten; starts at 2:20 p.m.
- 13 Jun flea market at Maintal-Doernigheim, REAL parking, Wingertstr.
- 13 Jun flea market at Obernburg/Main, Festplatz under the bridge.
- 13 Jun flea market at Darmstadt, Pallaswiesenstr.
- 13/14 Jun flea market at Heppenheim, Europaplatz, Lorscher Str.
- 13 Jun flea market at Michelstadt, Huettenwerk near TOOM.
- 13/14 Jun flea market at Eltville, Weinhohle parking area.
- 13 Jun flea market at Eschborn, Mann Mobilia Elly-Beinhorn-Str.
- 13 Jun flea market at Wiesbaden-Schierstein, Edeka C&CV; starts at 7 p.m.
- 13 Jun flea market at Dillingen, Moebel Mueller parking area.
- 13 Jun flea market at Landstuhl, Kaufland/Toom Markt parking.
- 13 Jun antique- and flea market at Saarbruecken, DB-Hela, large parking area.
- 13 Jun flea market at Saarbruecken, Franz-Josef-Roeder-Str.
- 13 Jun flea market at Frankenthal, Festplatz.
- 13 Jun flea market at Kaiserslautern, OPEL parking area.
- 13 Jun flea market at Ludwigshafen, Gartencenter Dehner; starts at 6 p.m.
- 13 Jun flea market at Ludwigshafen, Gueterbahnhof, parking area in back; starts at 2 p.m.
- 13 Jun flea market at Worms, Gueterbahnhof.
- 13 Jun flea market at Hockenheim, REAL parking area.
- 13 Jun flea market at Lampertheim-Rosengarten, Kaufland parking area.
- 13 Jun flea market at Mannheim-Bruehl, REAL parking, Mannheimer Landstr.
- 13 Jun flea market at Heidelberg, old Gueterbahnhof, Gueteramtsstr.
- 13 Jun antique- and flea market at Stuttgart, Karlsplatz.
- 13 Jun flea market at Stuttgart, university Schellingstr.
- 13 Jun flea market at Stuttgart-Feuerbach, Festplatz,
- 14 Jun flea market at Bitburg, HELA Baumarkt, Industriestr.
- 14 Jun flea market at Gau-Bickelheim, Autohof on A61.
- 14 Jun flea market at Mainz, university parking Dahlheimr Weg.
- 14 Jun flea market at Frankfurt-Kalbach, Frischezentrum Am Martinszehnten.
- 14 Jun antique- and flea market at Frankfurt, Konstabler Wache/Zeil.
- 14 Jun antique- and flea market at Bad Orb, Salinenplatz.
- 14 Jun flea market at Erlensee, TOOM parking area.
- 14 Jun flea market at Hanau, Hornbach parking, Kinzigheimer Weg.
- 14 Jun flea market at Kleinostheim, Sconto Moebelmarkt, Lindigstr.
- 14 Jun flea market at Maintal, REAL parking, Wingertstr.
- 14 Jun antique market at Wiesbaden-Biebrich, Adler-Center Aeppelallee.
- 14 Jun flea market at Waechtersbach, REWE parking area.
- 14 Jun flea market at Dieburg, TOOM/Kaufland, Im Fluerchen.
- 14 Jun flea market at Lorsch, monastery parking area.
- 14 Jun flea market at Reichenbach/Odw., Sportplatz, Seifenkistenweg.
- 14 Jun antique-, flea- and crafters market at Idstein, OBI parking area.
- 14 Jun flea market at Ruesselsheim-Bauschheim, Rhein-Main-Center.
- 14 Jun flea market at Wiesbaden-Schierstein, Edeka C&C parking area.

→ Wine and dine

Want to dine out in Wiesbaden?

If you're looking for restaurants go to www.wiesbaden.de, select Leben in Wiesbaden on the top, select Ausgehen in the pop-up menu, then select Gastroguide on the left-hand side.

Food Delivery in the vicinity of WAAF:

Since the Wiesbaden DFAC will be closed for renovation for the civilian work force starting April 1 to June 22, here's a listing of a couple of food delivery restaurants you may want to check out:

Panda Restaurant, Krautgartenstrasse 3, 65205 Wiesbaden-Erbenheim -

Tel: **0611-7902931** (minium order 7 Euro)

THAI Orchid, Moritzstrasse 34, 65185 Wiesbaden – Tel: **0611-379972**

Pizzeria al Castello, Gabelsbergstrasse 2, 65195 Wiesbaden - Tel**: 0611-1746767** (Minimum order 7 Euro plus 1.50 Euro for delivery)

Little Italy (in the American Arms Hotel) on Frankfurter Strasse, 65189 Wiesbaden

- Tel: **0611-343630 or -343632**

Legends, New American Food and more, Kurt-Schuhmacher-Ring 5, 65197 Wiesbaden

- Tel: **0611-7244155** (Minimum order 20 Euro)

Bagel Brothers, Ludwigstrasse 6, 55116 Mainz - Tel: 06131-1439467

Gabriel's Pizza und Pasta/u. French Baguettes, Oberpfortstrasse 15, 65205 Nordenstadt,

- Tel: **06122-940142** (2 Euro for delivery)

Pizzeria Pisa, Moritzstrasse 50, 65185 Wiesbaden – Tel: 0611-302412 (2 Euro for delivery)

Eftelya, Döner Kebaphaus, Rathausstrasse 53, 65203 Wiesbaden (Biebrich) – Tel: 0611-8902244 - 100% veal Döner



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